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SUBJECT: VISIT BY U.S. NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES GROUP
TO ROME ON SEVESO PROBLEMS

1. AT INVITATION OF MINISTRY OF HEALTH RELAYED THROUGH
ITALIAN EMBASSY WASHINGTON, FOUR NAS SCIENTISTS WILL
VISIT ROME APRIL 2-3 TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE COOPERATION
BETWEEN NAS AND MINISTRY ON CONTINUING PROBLEMS OF SEVESO.
NAS IS FUNDING TRAVEL EXPENSES OF THESE SCIENTISTS.

2. TWO SCIENTISTS, DR. PHILIP ROSS, NAS STAFF, AND
DR. ROBERT W. MILLER, NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE EPIDEMI-
OLOGIST, WILL ARRIVE ROME TWA 890 APRIL 1. THEIR POINT
OF CONTACT WILL BE MINISTRY OF HEALTH WHICH PRESUMABLY
WILL MEET AND ARRANGE HOTELS AND LOGISTICS.

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3. TWO TOXICOLOGISTS, DR. NORTON NELSON, N.Y. UNIV
MEDICAL CENTER, AND DR. SHELTON D. MURPHY, HARVARD UNIV
SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH, WILL ARRIVE ROME PA 110 APRIL 2.

4. ORIGINALLY, INVITATION TO ABOVE SCIENTISTS WAS FOR
PURPOSE OF PARTICIPATING IN INTERNATIONAL CONSULTATIONS
DIRECTED TOWARD PROBLEMS OF SEVESO, ESPECIALLY TOXICO-

LOGICAL. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THIS INTERNATIONAL MEETING HAS BEEN POSTPONED UNTIL APRIL 15, WITH INVITATIONS TO ATTEND EXTENDED BY MINISTRY OF HEALTH TO OTHER U.S. SCIENTISTS, INCLUDING DR. PHILIP KEARNEY OF AGRICULTURE AND DR. JOHN MOORE OF NIEHS.

5. PARAS 1-3 ABOVE INTENDED FOR EMBASSY'S INFORMATION ONLY. NO ACTION OR ASSISTANCE REQUESTED.

6. RE PARA 4, WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY PROVIDING DETAILS CONCERNING SPONSORSHIP, AGENDA, FORMAT, ATTENDEES, AND OBJECTIVES OF APRIL 15 MEETING AND RECOMMENDATION AS TO WHICH TYPES OF U.S. SCIENTISTS COULD BEST CONTRIBUTE. REQUESTS FOR ATTENDANCE BY U.S. GOVERNMENT SCIENTISTS SHOULD BE CHanneled THROUGH AMEMBASSY ROME.
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